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In re application of:

George K. Shibata, et al.

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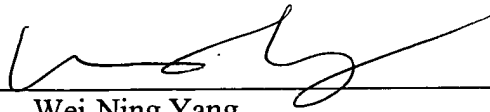
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TOTAL CLAIMS FEE	34	-	32           **	2	LG=\$18 SM=\$9	\$18	\$36
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